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Dear Governor Martinez, Director Abbey and Director Gudgel:

The Public Education Department (PED) is pleased to enclose the *2017 Math and Science Annual Report* from the Math and Science Advisory Council. This annual report fulfills the statutory requirement of the Mathematics and Science Education Act in relevant part as follows:

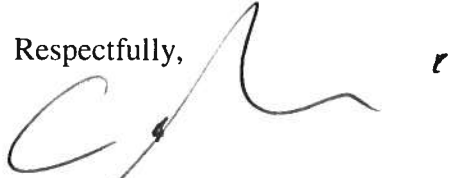
Subsection E of 22-15E-5 NMSA 1978. Council duties.

Produce an annual report on public elementary and secondary mathematics and science student achievement to be submitted to the department, the governor, and the legislature no later than November 30 of each year.

This report is a comprehensive compilation of data that describes the efficiency, the effectiveness, and the progress of math and science education.

We look forward to working with you and your colleagues to ensure that math and science education increases student achievement for all New Mexico students.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Ruszkowski', with a small 'r' to the right.

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Secretary Designate, NM Public Education Department

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Enc. (1): *2017 Math and Science Annual Report*

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